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POST REPORTS PERES REMARKS ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH EGYPT

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(TEXT) BET BERL--ISRAEL HAS NO DESIRE TO WITHDRAW FROM SINAI UNDER CONDITIONS THAT WOULD MAKE IT NECESSARY TO CONQUER IT A FOURTH TIME, DEFENCE MINISTER SHIM'ON PERES SAID HERE YESTERDAY. HE WAS ADDRESSING A MEETING OF 4,000 LITHUANIAN IMMIGRANTS.

PERES SAID ISRAEL WOULD NEGOTIATE WITH THE ARABS ONLY ON A BASIS OF ABSOLUTE EQUILITY, AND WITHOUT DICTATES. "WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF RETURNING LAND WITHOUT GETTING PEACE IN RETURN," HE DECLARED.

IT WAS TRUE THAT ISRAEL HAD TAKEN LAND FROM THE ARABS, BUT THE ARABS HAD TAKEN PEACE FROM ISRAEL--AND THAT WAS FAR MORE SERIOUS. "IF THEY GIVE THEY WILL RECEIVE," HE SAID, "BUT IF THEY REFUSE THEY WILL NOT RECEIVE."

HE SAID ISRAEL WOULD NOT NEGOTIATE AWAY STRATEGIC POSITIONS REQUIRED FOR ITS DEFENCE IN SINAI, ALONG THE EASTERN BORDER WITH JORDAN OR ON THE GOLAN HEIGHTS.

PERES SAID ISRAEL COULD RELY ON NO AGREEMENT UNLESS ITS ARMY WAS STRONG--AND ADDED THAT IT WAS INDEED STRONG ENOUGH TO FACE ANY COMBINATION OF ARAB FORCES. THE COUNTRY WAS SEEKING AN AGREEMENT NOT OUT OF WEAKNESS BUT OUT OF A DESIRE FOR PEACE.

"I DO NOT KNOW IF THE ARABS WILL MOVE TOWARDS A SETTLEMENT THIS TIME OR WILL REPEAT THEIR MISTAKES--AND WAR IS FIRST AND FOREMOST AN ARAB MISTAKE. IT HAS BROUGHT THEM MORE WEAKNESS, MORE POVERTY, MORE DISAPPOINTMENT, AND MORE FRUSTRATION."

ISRAEL'S SECURITY ALSO RESTED ON ACQUIRING ALLIES, PERES SAID, AND IT WAS LOOKING FOR FRIENDS IN THE WORLD. IT WAS NOT ISRAEL THAT HAD DESTROYED THE FRIENDSHIP WITH RUSSIA. ISRAEL WANTED FRIENDSHIP WITH ALL THE NATIONS OF EUROPE AND AMERICA--BUT ON CONDITION THAT THE STATE OF ISRAEL BE ITS OWN MASTER AND ABLE TO DEFEND ITSELF.

HERE HE NOTED THAT SOME EUROPEAN COUNTRIES WERE CLAIMING THAT ISRAEL WAS DEPENDENT ON THE U.S., BECAUSE IT RECEIVED AMERICAN ARMS. BUT THESE SAME COUNTRIES WERE ASKING THAT THE AMERICANS STAY ON THEIR SOIL TO DEFEND THEM, HE SAID, WHILE ISRAEL ASKED ONLY ARMS, IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO DEFEND ITSELF.

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ISRAELI DEFENSE MINISTER ON TALKS WITH EGYPT

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(TEXT) DEFENSE MINISTER SHIM'ON PERES SPOKE TONIGHT AT BET BERL BEFORE 3,000 NEW IMMIGRANTS FROM LITA (IN THE USSR--FBIS). THE CONFERENCE WAS ORGANIZED BY THE LABOR PARTY WITH THE AIM OF INVOLVING THE NEW IMMIGRANTS IN PARTY ACTIVITIES. THE MAIN POINTS OF THE MINISTER'S SPEECH CONCERNED THE CHANCES FOR A SETTLEMENT WITH EGYPT FOLLOWING DISCUSSIONS HELD BY THE NEGOTIATING TEAM: (BEGIN RECORDING)

(PERES--VIDEOTAPED) I DO NOT KNOW WHETHER THE ARABS WILL MOVE TOWARD A SETTLEMENT THIS TIME OR NOT--OR WHETHER THEY WILL AGAIN REPEAT THEIR MISTAKES. THE WAR WAS FIRST AND FOREMOST AN ARAB MISTAKE: IT BROUGHT UPON THEM FURTHER WEAKENING, FURTHER POVERTY, FURTHER MISERY, FURTHER DISAPPOINTMENT, FURTHER FRUSTRATIONS AND ANOTHER DEFEAT. IF WE ARE GOING TO CONDUCT NEGOTIATIONS WE SHALL CONDUCT THEM WHILE REGARDING NOT WHAT AS-SADAT HAS SAID, BUT WHAT EGYPT NEEDS AND WHAT THE ARAB STATES NEED, AND WHAT ISRAEL WANTS AND WHAT ALL OF US NEED.

HOWEVER, EVEN IF WE CONDUCT NEGOTIATIONS, WE SHALL NOT CREATE A SITUATION IN WHICH ISRAEL WILL LOSE STRATEGIC POSITIONS NEEDED FOR ITS DEFENSE, EITHER IN SINAI OR IN THE EAST OR ON THE GOLAN HEIGHTS. THE ARAB LEADERS ARE SAYING THAT WE TOOK LAND AWAY FROM THE ARABS. THIS IS TRUE. HOWEVER, THE ARABS TOOK PEACE AWAY FROM US, WHICH IS FAR GRAVER. IT IS NOT WITHIN OUR POWER OR INTENTION TO RETURN LAND WITHOUT THE RETURN OF PEACE. WE HAVE BEEN THREE TIMES--((APPLAUSE)) WE HAVE ALREADY BEEN IN SINAI THREE TIMES--DURING THE WAR OF INDEPENDENCE OF IDF OCCUPIED AL-'ARISH. THE PRIME MINISTER AT THE TIME, DAVID BEN GURION, TOLD US TO WITHDRAW FROM AL-'ARISH IN ORDER TO GIVE EGYPT THE OPPORTUNITY NOT TO JOIN THE WAR. WE WERE IN SINAI IN 1956. WE WITHDREW IN RETURN FOR AN EGYPTIAN AND AN AMERICAN PROMISE THAT THE TIRAN STRAITS WOULD NOT AGAIN BE BLOCKED--AND THEY BLOCKED IT. AND NOW WE ARE ONCE AGAIN IN SINAI--FOR A THIRD TIME. WE DO NOT FEEL LIKE WITHDRAWING FROM SINAI IN ORDER TO OCCUPY IT A FOURTH TIME. (APPLAUSE) THREE TIMES IS ENOUGH.

I AM NOT IMPRESSED BY AS-SADAT'S SPEECHES; I DO NOT AWAIT THEM. IT BECOMES MORE AND MORE LIKE A CARD GAME, AND IF HE SAYS THAT ISRAEL IS A DAGGER IN THE HEART OF THE ARAB NATION, IT IS HE WHO HAS TO REPLY AS TO HOW TO NEGOTIATE WITH A DAGGER. WE KNOW HOW NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE CONDUCTED IN ORDER TO BRING PEACE. WE WILL CONDUCT NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE ARABS AS EQUALS, WITHOUT DICTATES. IF THEY GIVE--THEY WILL RECEIVE; IF THEY REFUSE--THEY WON'T GET ANYTHING. THIS WILL DEFINITELY BE CARRIED OUT ON THE BASIS OF MUTUALITY. (END RECORDING)

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ISRAEL'S EXPULSION FROM UN WOULD CAST DOUBT ON GENEVA, U UNEF

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(INTERVIEW WITH HAYIM HERZOG, ISRAELI AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE TO THE UNITED NATIONS BY GIDE'ON LEV ARI--TIME AND PLACE NOT GIVEN--RECORDED)

(EXCERPT) I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT WE WILL BE EXPELLED FROM THE UN BECAUSE IT REQUIRES A RESOLUTION BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL. THE WESTERN COUNTRIES HAVE THE VETO POWER THERE, AND I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT THE VETO WILL BE USED IN OUR CASE. HOWEVER, AS FOR EXPULSION, THIS IS OBVIOUSLY A COMPLEX MATTER JURIDICALLY SPEAKING. IF THE MAJORITY IN THE ASSEMBLY DECIDES, IT CAN DO AS IT PLEASES IN THE ASSEMBLY. NATURALLY IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTER HAS ALREADY MADE THIS POINT SO THAT EVERYONE KNOWS EXACTLY WHAT SUCH AN ACT WOULD ENTAIL.

(QUESTION) WHAT WOULD BE THE RESULTS?

(ANSWER) THAT COULD BE FAR-REACHING, BECAUSE WE MUST BEAR IN MIND THE DELICATE STRUCTURE OF RELATIONS AROUND ISRAEL'S BORDERS, EVEN WITHIN ISRAEL ITSELF, AND WHICH GROUPS ARE BASED ON SOME SORT OF UN INVOLVEMENT, ONE WAY OR ANOTHER. THERE ARE ALL KINDS OF FACTORS. THERE IS THE UN EMERGENCY FORCE IN SINAI; THERE IS UNDOF IN THE NORTH; THERE IS UNTSO, THE OBSERVERS ON THE LEBANESE BORDER; THERE IS UNWRA, REFUGEE CARE--A WHOLE SYSTEM, A HOUSE OF CARDS READY TO COLLAPSE IF THIS ACT IS CARRIED THROUGH. FURTHERMORE, LET US BEAR IN MIND THAT, PRACTICALLY SPEAKING, THE INTERIM SETTLEMENT TALKS, TOO, ARE PARTLY BASED, IN THE FIELD, ON UN INVOLVEMENT. AND THAT NATURALLY JEOPARDIZES THE ENTIRE UN INVOLVEMENT, NOT TO MENTION THE PRINCIPAL THING, NAMELY THAT THE GENEVA CONCEPT, THE GENEVA TALKS ALSO REPOSE ON UN INVOLVEMENT. THUS, THOSE WHO LOOK JUST A BIT FURTHER THAN THEIR NOSES SHOULD BE EXTREMELY WORRIED ABOUT THE ENTIRE STRUCTURE OF RELATIONS AND THE SEARCH FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THOSE WHO HAVE SUCH A SCHEME IN MIND ARE WELL ADVISE TO THINK NOW OF THE DANGER THAT SUCH AN ACTION HARBORS.

(QUESTION) IF THIS HAPPENS, IF ISRAEL IS OUSTED FROM THE UN ASSEMBLY, WOULD YOU SAY THE FATE OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE WOULD THEN BE SEALED?

(ANSWER) IT DEFINITELY SETS A VERY GRAVE QUESTION MARK AGAINST THE ENTIRE CURRENT POLITICAL CAMPAIGN WHICH SINCE THE YOM KIPPUR WAR HAS BEEN SET AGAINST THE GENEVA CONFERENCE BACKGROUND.

(QUESTION) IT IS ALMOST CLEAR THAT THERE IS A MAJORITY IN THE ASSEMBLY FOR A PROPOSAL OF THIS KIND.

(ANSWER) NOT ALMOST, IT'S OBVIOUS.

(QUESTION) QUITE OBVIOUS?

(ANSWER) YES, IF THIS ISSUE COMES TO A VOTE (HERZOG INTERRUPTED--FBIS)

(QUESTION) THEY'LL PASS IT?

(ANSWER) I THINK THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS CURRENTLY OPPOSED TO SUCH AN ACT, BECAUSE WHEN ALL IS SAID AND DONE, THE ATTEMPT TO GIVE THE ASSEMBLY THE CHARACTER OF A BODY THAT DETERMINES MEMBERSHIP IN THE UNITED NATIONS IS AN ATTEMPT TO MINIMIZE, TO ERODE THE STATUS OF THE POWERS IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL. OF THAT THE AMERICANS AND THE SOVIETS ARE AWARE. SO, I WOULD NOT BE SURPRISED IF THEY OPPOSE THIS MOVE; BUT WHEN IT COMES TO A SH OF HANDS, THAT'S A DIFFERENT MATTER. SO, ARAB INTERESTS, THEIR OWN UNIVERSAL INTERESTS, ARE WHAT THEY KEEP IN MIND AND I DOUBT THAT THEY WILL OBJECT TO SUCH A MOVE.

(QUESTION) AND THE AMERICANS, MR HERZOG, CAN THE AMERICANS RAISE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF VOTES IN THE ASSEMBLY?

(ANSWER) NO, I DON'T THINK SO. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT SPEAKING IN NUMBERS, THE AMERICANS CAN, OF COURSE, OBTAIN QUALITY. WESTERN EUROPE IS STRONGLY OPPOSED, OTHER ENLIGHTENED STATES ARE SHARPLY OPPOSED. BUT TO SAY THAT IT CAN OBTAIN NUMBERS? AND THAT, BY THE WAY, EMPHASIZES THE ANOMALY AT THE UNITED NATIONS TODAY--A WORLD MINORITY DICTATING BY MEANS OF THE ASSEMBLY TO THE WORLD MAJORITY.

(QUESTION) YES, BECAUSE SOME SMALL PRINCIPALITY HAS ONE VOTE JUST LIKE THE GREAT UNITED STATES.

(ANSWER) QUITE SO. THERE ARE ABOUT 50 STATES IN AFRICA WITH ABOUT 200 MILLION INHABITANTS--THEY HAVE 50 VOTES; AND THERE ARE 50 STATES IN THE UNITED STATES WITH 200 MILLION INHABITANTS, AND THEY HAVE ONE VOTE.

(QUESTION) DO THE AMERICANS UNDERSTAND THAT?

(ANSWER) I THINK THEY ARE GRADUALLY BEGINNING TO GRASP IT, CONSIDERING THAT THEY COVER ABOUT ONE-THIRD OF THE UNITED NATIONS EXPENSES. I WOULD SAY THAT AN ISRAELI OUTSIDER WOULD ACT AS A CATALYST PROMPTING THE AMERICAN PUBLIC TO DISENGAGE ITSELF FROM THIS FINANCIAL BURDEN.

(QUESTION) YOU SAY BREAK OFF THE FINANCIAL BURDEN, BUT YOU DO NOT SAY BREAK AWAY FROM THE UNITED NATIONS.

(ANSWER) I DON'T KNOW, BECAUSE WE HAVE A JURIDICAL PROBLEM HERE. I DON'T KNOW WHO DECIDES HERE. IS IT UP TO THE PRESIDENT, OR IS IT CONGRESS.

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(CORRECTING UPPERCASE)

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JORDANIAN PAPER COMMENTS ON U.S. ARMS DEAL WITH JORDAN

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(TEXT) THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE HAS OPPOSED THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AIR DEFENSE WEAPONS DEAL WHICH THE ADMINISTRATION CONCLUDED WITH JORDAN. THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE IS EXPECTED TO FOLLOW SUIT, DESPITE THE APPEALS BY THE CHIEF OF STAFF AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO APPROVE IT.

THUS THE ZIONIST GROUPS IN THE U.S. CONGRESS HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PUSH THE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES INTO COMMITTING THE KIND OF POLITICAL FOOLISHNESS WHICH MIGHT LEAD TO A REAL POLITICAL DILEMMA SIMILAR TO THE ONE IN WHICH THE ADMINISTRATION FOUND ITSELF IN TURKEY AS A RESULT OF CONGRESS VOTING AGAINST SUPPLYING ARMS TO TURKEY BECAUSE SOME MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS WERE SEEKING THE VOTES OF AMERICANS OF GREEK ORIGIN IN THE RECENT BY-ELECTIONS.

THE SHORT-SIGHTED OPPOSITION HAS BEEN AGAINST THE "SIZE OF THE DEAL." HALF OF THAT DEAL COULD HAVE BEEN OBTAINED WITHOUT OPPOSITION. BUT KING HUSAYN, IN HIS STATEMENT TO THIS NEWSPAPER, REFUSED TO BARGAIN--EITHER THE WHOLE DEAL OR NOTHING. THIS IS BECAUSE THE PRINCIPLE OF SELF-DEFENSE AND NATIONAL DIGNITY ACCEPT NO HALFWAY SOLUTIONS. OTHERWISE THE MATTER BECOMES ONE OF AN ARMS MONOPOLY SIMILAR TO THE ONE WHICH EXISTED IN THE FIFTIES AND WHICH THE ARABS WERE ABLE TO BREAK.

AS THEY ARE INVOLVING THE ADMINISTRATION IN THIS DILEMMA, THE ZIONIST GROUPS ARE AWARE THAT BY OBTAINING SUCH SHORT-SIGHTED RESOLUTIONS THEY ARE TRYING TO CREATE A CLASH--ANY KIND OF CLASH, THIS IS BECAUSE ZIONISM, AS A MOVEMENT, SURVIVES AND FLOURISHES ON CONFLICTS AND CONTRADICTIONS. IT IS THE ONLY MOVEMENT THAT DARES TO DEMONSTRATE IN NEW YORK STREETS AGAINST THE POLICY OF INTERNATIONAL DETENTE. IT IS THE SAME MOVEMENT THAT IN THE ADMINISTRATION AND THE U.S. CONGRESS SEEKS TO INCITE A CLASH BETWEEN THE OIL PRODUCING AND OIL CONSUMING COUNTRIES. IT IS THE SAME PRESSURE GROUP THAT HAS BEEN BEHIND THE ESCALATION OF WAR IN VIETNAM AND WHICH IS SEEKING TO DESTROY THE UNITED NATIONS BECAUSE THE THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES HAVE A POWERFUL VOICE AT THE WORLD ORGANIZATION AND BECAUSE THE PUBLIC OPINION IN THE THIRD WORLD WANTS TO EXPEL ISRAEL FROM THE ORGANIZATION FOR ITS POLITICAL RECKLESSNESS AND ITS DISREGARD FOR THE UN CHARTER AND OF THE WORLD OPINION. IT IS ALSO THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SAME GROUPS THAT ARE REFLECTED IN THE AREA IN ISRAEL'S DECEIT AND ARROGANCE.

THE PRINCIPLE OF ARMS MONOPOLY HAS FAILED BOTH IN THEORY AND IN PRACTICE SINCE 20 YEARS. JORDAN, WHICH IS FACING AGGRESSION AND THE DANGER OF FUTURE (ISRAELI--FBIS) EXPANSION, WILL NOT BE AT LOSS IN FINDING WAYS TO BUILD ITS AIR DEFENSE, WHETHER (WITH EQUIPMENT--FBIS) FROM THE UNITED STATES OR ELSEWHERE.

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